

## OBEE ROAD

KANSAS

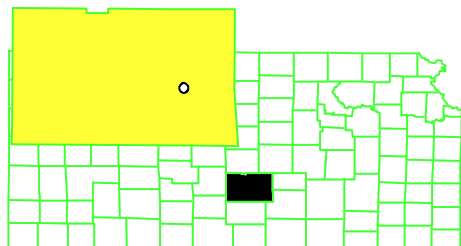
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EPA Region 7

City: Obeeville

County: Reno County

Other Names: Hutchison City  
Dump



## SITE DESCRIPTION

The Obee Road site in Hutchinson, Kansas is comprised of approximately 1,100 acres in the eastern part of the City and Reno County. The site consists of commercial, agricultural, and residential properties. An investigation in 1983 by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) was prompted by a citizen's concern over the taste and odor of his well water. Sampling by the KDHE showed Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) in the shallow aquifer. As a result of this information gathered during the remedial investigation for the Obee Road and the adjacent East Fourth Street Facility, the site was divided into two subsites. These two subsites are the Landfill Subsite and the Airport Road Subsite. The Landfill Subsite is located within the area of the former City of Hutchinson Landfill on the eastern portion of the site. The source of the contamination was originally suspected to be the old City of Hutchinson Landfill on the eastern edge of the Hutchinson Municipal Airport. Before closing in 1973, the landfill accepted unknown quantities of liquid wastes and sludges from local industries, as well as solvents from small metal-finishing operations at local aircraft plants. The Airport Road Subsites comprises the remainder of the Obee Road site and has ground water contamination emanating from the East Fourth Street Facility (Cessna/Eaton) which consists of a hydraulic component manufacturing operation and a facility formerly operated by Farmland Industries, Inc.

### Site Responsibility:

This site is being addressed through Federal, State, and potentially responsible parties' actions.

### NPL LISTING HISTORY

**Proposed Date:** 01/22/87

**Final Date:** 07/22/87

**Deleted Date:**

## THREATS AND CONTAMINANTS

Groundwater is contaminated with VOCs such as trichloroethylene (TCE), vinyl chloride, and chloroform. Although the residences in the area now are connected to the public water supply, the private wells have not been plugged. Therefore, there is the possibility that the contaminated groundwater may be used for domestic purposes, such as watering gardens.

## CLEANUP APPROACH

### Response Action Status



**Initial Actions:** Initial Action: In 1985, the City of Hutchison constructed a water line extension to the residents affected by the contaminated well water. An alternate water supply also was provided to the Obee school system adjacent to the landfill, which was drawing water from a contaminated well. An interim groundwater pump and treat system is operating to ensure that contaminants are contained and do not spread further.



**Initial Actions:**

### Site Facts:

In March 1990, a group of the parties potentially responsible for site contamination signed a Consent Agreement with the KDHE in which the parties agreed to complete an investigation of the site. After reviewing data from the Obee Road Site investigation and data from the East Fourth Street Facility, a site bordering the Obee Road Site on the west, it became apparent that the site needed to be divided into two subsites. In March of 1993 an amendment to the State Administrative Order was signed and the Obee Road Landfill Subsite and the Airport Road Subsite were defined.

**Landfill Subsite:** The responsible parties submitted the final Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA) Work Plan for the Landfill Subsite in December 1996. This Work Plan includes provisions for groundwater monitoring and institutional controls. In June 1997, the Remedial Action and Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report was completed. This report contains the

institutional controls consisting of a deed restriction executed on March 27, 1997. The first five-year review of the Landfill Subsite was completed June 19, 2000.

Airport Road Subsite: The responsible parties have completed the Remedial Investigation for the Airport Road Subsite and have prepared a draft Feasibility Study. Remedy selection for the Airport Road Subsite has been delayed due to the pending development of a TMDL for chloride. This TMDL may effect the groundwater treatment technology. Two phases of interim remedial measures effecting the Airport Road Subsite have been implemented to contain contaminated ground water emanating from the East Fourth Street Facility. Phase I consists of the installation of two remedial pumping wells, two air stripping towers, and a discharge line on the East Fourth Street Facility property. Phase I became operational in July 1993. Phase 2 consists on an additional remedial pumping wells in the southeastern portion of the Obee Road site and system startup was initiated in the second half of 1997. Cessna has voluntarily extended rural water to provide private homes with access to a supply of portable water for those properties with contaminated wells.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRESS



Providing an alternative water supply reduced the potential for exposure to contaminated well water. An interim pump and treat groundwater containment system is in operation at the East Fourth Street Facility. This system will contain and treat the groundwater contamination while final cleanup actions at the Obee Road site are being planned.

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## SITE REPOSITORY



Hutchison Public Library, 901 North  
Main, Hutchison, KS 67504

Superfund Records Center  
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## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

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KS  
07Q3

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:**

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**EPA ORGANIZATION:**

SFD-MOKS/SUPR

## MODIFICATIONS